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15. (Once Amended) The starting method according to claim 14 wherein said inductive circuit is a motor.

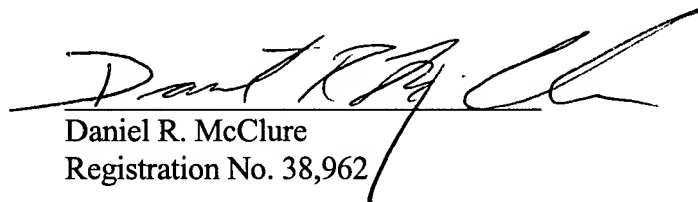
REMARKS

Claims 2 and 15 were rejected under U.S.C 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Accordingly, claims 2 and 15 are amended here to address and overcome the 112 rejection only, and no new matter is introduced by these amendments.

The undersigned notes that the issue fee payment was submitted on Feb. 11, 2003, in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed Jan. 28, 2003. Since the changes made by this amendment are purely cosmetic, the undersigned expects a supplemental Notice of Allowance to be forthcoming, and requests that the previously-submitted issue fee payment be applied thereto.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with this amendment and response. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any and all such fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

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Annotated Version of Amended Claims

Claims 2 and 15 have been amended herein as follows:

2. (Once Amended) The starting device according to claim 1 wherein said inductive circuit is [one of] a motor [and a direct-current (DC) motor].

15. (Once Amended) The starting method according to claim 14 wherein said inductive circuit is [one of] a motor [and a direct-current (DC) motor].

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